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OpenAI Forum Code of Conduct

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Thank you for using the OpenAI Forum! This Code of Conduct includes two documents:

- Our OpenAI Forum Terms of Use, which apply when you use the OpenAI Forum; and
- Our OpenAI Community Guidelines, which describe the types of content that are permitted

We may amend our Code of Conduct from time to time by posting a revised version on the website.

OpenAI Forum Terms of Use

These OpenAI Forum Terms of Use ("Terms" or "Forum Terms") apply when you use the OpenAI Forum (the "Forum") provided by OpenAI OpCo, LLC or our affiliates, including its associated software, data, documentation, and websites ("Services"). The Terms include our Forum Community Guidelines, and other documentation, guidelines, or policies we may provide in writing. By using our Services, you agree to these Terms.

These Forum Terms supplement, and do not replace, the OpenAI Terms of Use, Privacy Policy, applicable service terms, and OpenAI policies that govern your use of OpenAI services. If there is a conflict, these Forum Terms control only with respect to the OpenAI Forum.

1. Registration and Access
You must be at least 18 years old to use the Services. If you use the Services on behalf of another person or entity, you must have the authority to accept the Terms on their behalf. You must provide accurate and complete information to register for an account. You may not make your access credentials or account available to others. You are responsible for all activities that occur using your credentials.

2. Usage Requirements
(a) Use of Services. You may access, and we grant you a non-exclusive right to use, the Services in accordance with these Terms. You will comply with these Terms and all applicable laws when using the Services. We and our affiliates own all rights, title, and interest in and to the Services.

(b) Feedback. We appreciate feedback, comments, ideas, proposals and suggestions for improvements. If you provide any of these things, we may use it without restriction or compensation to you.

(c) Restrictions. You may not (i) use the Services in a way that infringes, misappropriates or violates any person's rights; (ii) reverse assemble, reverse compile, decompile, translate or otherwise attempt to discover the source code or underlying components of models, algorithms, and systems of the Services (except to the extent such restrictions are contrary to applicable law); (iii) use any automated or programmatic method to extract data or Content from the Services,

including scraping, web harvesting, or web data extraction; (iv) use the Services for benchmarking or competitive analysis of the Services; (v) buy, sell, or transfer your account without our prior consent; or (vi), send us any personal information of children under 13 or the applicable age of digital consent. You may use Services only in geographies currently supported by OpenAI.

(d) Third Party Services. Any third party software, services, or other products you use in connection with the Services are subject to their own terms, and we are not responsible for third party products.

3. Content

(a) Your Content. You may provide input to the Services, which may include but is not limited to forum posts, messages, images, and other content (collectively "Content") using the functionality that we provide. If you choose to post or otherwise submit Content to the Services, you grant OpenAI a nonexclusive, royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable, and fully sublicensable right to use, reproduce, modify, adapt, publish, perform, translate, create derivative works from, distribute, and display such content throughout the world in any media. You grant OpenAI and sublicensees the right to use the name that you submit in connection with such Content, if they choose. You represent and warrant that you own or otherwise control all of the rights to the Content that you provide; that the Content is accurate; that use of the Content you supply does not violate these Terms and will not cause injury to any person or entity. OpenAI takes no responsibility and assumes no liability for any Content posted by you.

(b) Moderation of Content. OpenAI has the right but not the obligation to monitor and edit or remove any activity in or Content submitted to the Services. OpenAI as the right but not the obligation to monitor and edit or remove any Content, including through the use of third party contractors, and reserves the right to remove or restrict access to Content for any reason, including content that violates the Forum Community Guidelines.

(c) Use of Content to Improve Services. We may use Content that you submit to the Services to help develop and improve the Services and other products offered by OpenAI or its affiliates.

(d) Accuracy. Depending on your use of the Services, the Services may allow you to access Content submitted by other users of the Services. OpenAI is not responsible for the accuracy of such Content and OpenAI takes no responsibility and assumes no liability for any Content posted by any other party.

4. Confidentiality and Security

(a) Confidentiality. You may be given access to Confidential Information of OpenAI, its affiliates and other third parties. You may use Confidential Information only as needed to use the Services as permitted under these Terms. You may not disclose Confidential Information to any third party, and you will protect Confidential Information in the same manner that you protect your own confidential information of a similar nature, using at least reasonable care. Confidential Information means nonpublic information that OpenAI or its affiliates or third parties designate as confidential or should reasonably be considered confidential under the circumstances, including software, specifications, and other nonpublic business information. Confidential

Information does not include information that: (i) is or becomes generally available to the public through no fault of yours; (ii) you already possess without any confidentiality obligations when you received it under these Terms; (iii) is rightfully disclosed to you by a third party without any confidentiality obligations; or (iv) you independently developed without using Confidential Information. You may disclose Confidential Information when required by law or the valid order of a court or other governmental authority if you give reasonable prior written notice to OpenAI and use reasonable efforts to limit the scope of disclosure, including assisting us with challenging the disclosure requirement, in each case where possible.

(b) Security. You must implement reasonable and appropriate measures designed to help secure your access to and use of the Services. If you discover any vulnerabilities or breaches related to your use of the Services, you must promptly contact OpenAI and provide details of the vulnerability or breach.

5. Term and Termination

(a) Termination; Suspension. These Terms take effect when you first use the Services and remain in effect until terminated. You may terminate these Terms at any time for any reason by discontinuing the use of the Services and Content. We may terminate these Terms for any reason by providing you at least 30 days' advance notice. We may terminate these Terms immediately upon notice to you if you materially breach Sections 2 (Usage Requirements), 4 (Confidentiality and Security), 7 (Dispute Resolution) or 8 (General Terms), if there are changes in relationships with third party technology providers outside of our control, or to comply with law or government requests. We may suspend your access to the Services if you do not comply with these Terms or the OpenAI Forum Community Guidelines, if your use poses a security risk to us or any third party, or if we suspect that your use is fraudulent or could subject us or any third party to liability.

(b) Effect on Termination. Upon termination, you will stop using the Services and you will promptly return or, if instructed by us, destroy any Confidential Information. The sections of these Terms which by their nature should survive termination or expiration should survive, including but not limited to Sections 4-8.

6. Indemnification; Disclaimer of Warranties; Limitations on Liability

(a) Indemnity. You will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless us, our affiliates, and our personnel, from and against any claims, losses, and expenses (including attorneys' fees) arising from or relating to your use of the Services, including your Content, products or services you develop or offer in connection with the Services, and your breach of these Terms or violation of applicable law.

(b) Disclaimer. THE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED "AS IS." EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT PROHIBITED BY LAW, WE AND OUR AFFILIATES AND LICENSORS MAKE NO WARRANTIES (EXPRESS, IMPLIED, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE) WITH RESPECT TO THE SERVICES, AND DISCLAIM ALL WARRANTIES INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, SATISFACTORY QUALITY, NON-INFRINGEMENT, AND QUIET ENJOYMENT, AND ANY WARRANTIES ARISING OUT OF ANY COURSE OF DEALING OR TRADE USAGE.

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WE DO NOT WARRANT THAT THE SERVICES WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED, ACCURATE OR ERROR FREE, OR THAT ANY CONTENT WILL BE SECURE OR NOT LOST OR ALTERED.

(c) Limitations of Liability. NEITHER WE NOR ANY OF OUR AFFILIATES OR LICENSORS WILL BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES, INCLUDING DAMAGES FOR LOSS OF PROFITS, GOODWILL, USE, OR DATA OR OTHER LOSSES, EVEN IF WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. OUR AGGREGATE LIABILITY UNDER THESE TERMS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE GREATER OF THE AMOUNT YOU PAID FOR THE SERVICE THAT GAVE RISE TO THE CLAIM DURING THE 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE LIABILITY AROSE OR ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100). THE LIMITATIONS IN THIS SECTION APPLY ONLY TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW.

8. General Terms

(a) Relationship of the Parties. These Terms do not create a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between you and OpenAI or any of OpenAI's affiliates. OpenAI and you are independent contractors and neither party will have the power to bind the other or to incur obligations on the other's behalf without the other party's prior written consent.

(b) Use of Brands. You may not use OpenAI's or any of its affiliates' names, logos, or trademarks, without our prior written consent.

(c) U.S. Federal Agency Entities. The Services were developed solely at private expense and are commercial computer software and related documentation within the meaning of the applicable U.S. Federal Acquisition Regulation and agency supplements thereto.

(e) Assignment and Delegation. You may not assign or delegate any rights or obligations under these Terms, including in connection with a change of control. Any purported assignment and delegation shall be null and void. We may assign these Terms in connection with a merger, acquisition or sale of all or substantially all of our assets, or to any affiliate or as part of a corporate reorganization.

(f) Modifications. We may amend these Terms from time to time by posting a revised version on the website, or if an update materially adversely affects your rights or obligations under these Terms we will provide notice to you either by emailing the email associated with your account or providing an in-product notification. Those changes will become effective no sooner than 30 days after we notify you. All other changes will be effective immediately. Your continued use of the Services after any change means you agree to such change.

(g) Notices. All notices will be in writing. We may notify you using the registration information you provided or the email address associated with your use of the Services. Service will be deemed given on the date of receipt if delivered by email or on the date sent via courier if delivered by post. OpenAI accepts service of process at this address: OpenAI OpCo, LLC, 1455 3rd Street, San Francisco, CA 94158, Attn: contract-notices@openai.com.

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(h) Waiver and Severability. If you do not comply with these Terms, and OpenAI does not take action right away, this does not mean OpenAI is giving up any of our rights. Except as provided in Section 7, if any part of these Terms is determined to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that term will be enforced to the maximum extent permissible and it will not affect the enforceability of any other terms.

(i) Export Controls. The Services may not be used in or for the benefit of, exported, or re-exported (a) into any U.S. embargoed countries (collectively, the "Embargoed Countries") or (b) to anyone on the U.S. Treasury Department's list of Specially Designated Nationals, any other restricted party lists (existing now or in the future) identified by the Office of Foreign Asset Control, or the U.S. Department of Commerce Denied Persons List or Entity List, or any other restricted party lists (collectively, "Restricted Party Lists"). You represent and warrant that you are not located in any Embargoed Countries and not on any such restricted party lists. You must comply with all applicable laws related to Embargoed Countries or Restricted Party Lists, including any requirements or obligations to know your end users directly.

(j) Equitable Remedies. You acknowledge that if you violate or breach these Terms, it may cause irreparable harm to OpenAI and its affiliates, and OpenAI shall have the right to seek injunctive relief against you in addition to any other legal remedies.

(k) Relationship to OpenAI Terms of Use; Entire Agreement. Your use of the Services is governed by the OpenAI Terms of Use, including applicable regional terms and incorporated Service Terms and policies, together with these Forum Terms and the Forum Community Guidelines. If there is a conflict, these Forum Terms control solely with respect to the OpenAI Forum. Together, these documents constitute the entire agreement regarding your use of the Services and supersede prior agreements on that subject.

Forum Community Guidelines

The OpenAI Forum (the "Forum") is intended to allow you to learn more about OpenAI's technology and research and connect directly with the OpenAI community. To that end, OpenAI has established these Community Guidelines to help ensure that the Forum provides for civil, productive discussion.

Permissible Content

- Genuine, civil engagement with the Forum community is both permitted and encouraged. Learn, ask questions, and help others while maintaining respect for other members of the Forum community.

- You can also contribute to the Forum by participating in events, recognizing the expertise and contributions of other community members by upvoting them, and connecting with the OpenAI team and other community members.

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Prohibited Content

- Disrespectful, hateful, harassing, discriminatory or violent content. This includes Content that:
    - expresses, incites, or promotes hate;
    - intends to harass, threaten, or bully an individual or group;
    - violates the privacy of another person by revealing private information without consent (such as “doxing”);
    - promotes, encourages, or depicts acts of self-harm, such as suicide, cutting, and eating disorders;
    - or promotes or glorifies violence or celebrates the suffering or humiliation of others; or
    - promotes, glorifies, or recruits for terrorist groups or incites terrorist activities.
- Sexually explicit and adult conduct. This includes any Content meant to arouse sexual excitement, such as the description of sexual activity, or that promotes sexual services; erotic Content; pornography; and Child Sexual Abuse Material.
- Illegal, fraudulent, misleading, or deceptive Content such as scams, impersonation and other inauthentic behaviors, disinformation, spam, multi-level marketing, and gambling.
- Content that violates the intellectual property rights of others, such as patent, copyright, trademark, or trade secret rights.
- Commercial and political Content, such as promotion of commercial products or services, and distribution of political campaign materials.

OpenAI may remove or restrict access to Content that violates these Community Guidelines and repeated or serious violations may result in further action, including suspending or terminating your account.

Reporting potential violations of these Guidelines

Please report potential violations to forum-support@openai.com.